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SUBJ: US/MALTA RELATIONS

1. DURING AMBASSADOR'S FAREWELL CALL ON GOVGEN, SIR ANTHONY ASKED HIM ABOUT THE STATE OF US/MALTA RELATIONS.

2. AMBASSADOR RESPONDED THAT RELATIONS GENERALLY ARE GOOD, BUT THAT MINTOFF POLICY OF RECOGNIZING ENTITIES SUCH AS VIET CONG, SIHANOUK GOVERNMENT, AND UNBALANCED TREATMENT OF SOUTH KOREA VIS-A-VIS NORTH KOREA CAUSED US, AS WELL AS COUNTRIES CONCERNED, CONSIDERABLE PAIN. ONE MIGHT BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND IF MALTA WERE TO GAIN SOMETHING FROM SUCH POLICIES. OBVIOUSLY, SUCH ACTIONS ARE FACTORS WHEN USG CONSIDERS ITS ATTITUDE TOWARD MALTA.

3. GOVGEN AGREED WITH AMBASSADOR'S POINTS AND SAID HE REGRETTED PM'S RECOGNITION POLICY. HE INFORMED AMBASSADOR IN CONFIDENCE THAT A SIHANOUK CABINET MINISTER WOULD BE COMING TO MALTA NEXT WEEK. TUCKER.

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